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JACKPOT ALERT - Wild Card 2 Reaches Record-Breaking \$1.3 Million Jackpot

BISMARCK – On Saturday night, North Dakota players will have the chance to win \$1.3 million – the largest Wild Card 2 jackpot in the history of the game.

Lottery Director Chuck Keller said when jackpots get to record-breaking levels, ticket sales usually double or triple in volume. “The Wild Card 2 jackpot has not been hit since September 13, 2006 when a North Dakota player won the \$153,873 jackpot,” said Keller.

Four states - North Dakota, South Dakota, Montana and Idaho - participate in the Wild Card 2 game. North Dakota players have won five of the last seven Wild Card 2 jackpots – over \$1.5 million.

Since the game’s launch in 1999, this is only the third time the Wild Card 2 jackpot has exceeded \$1 million. Since the last jackpot was won, fifteen North Dakota players have won \$5,000 Wild Card 2 prizes in pursuit of the jackpot. Each of the 15 players matched all five numbers but missed the jackpot by not hitting the wild card.

Although North Dakota produced no Wild Card 2 jackpot winners in Wednesday’s draw, one North Dakota player won \$5,000. The winning ticket was purchased at M&H Gas in Jamestown.

The Wild Card 2 jackpot starts at \$100,000 and grows until the jackpot is hit; players get two plays for one dollar. Tickets for Saturday’s draw can be purchased at any of the 400 Lottery retailers and must be purchased by 8:58 p.m. (CST) to qualify for the draw.

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